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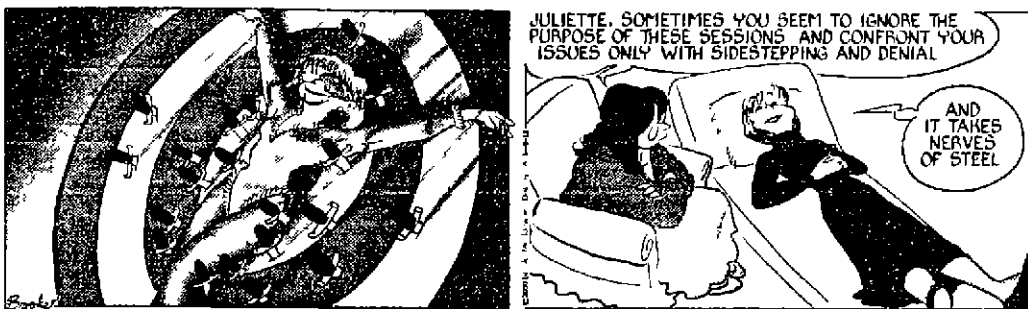
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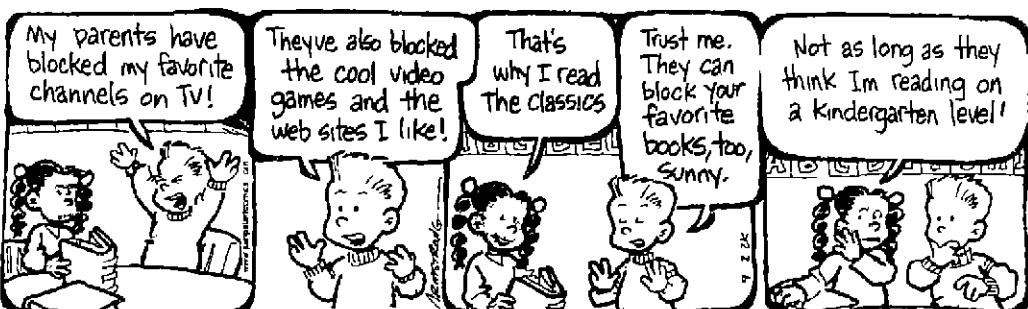
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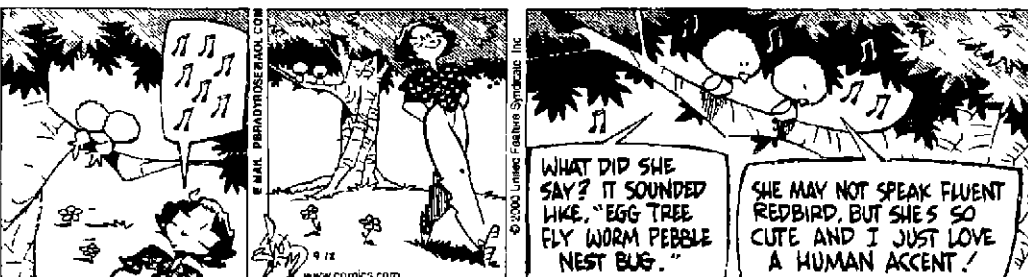
9 CHICKWEED LANE



JUMP START



ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



DILBERT



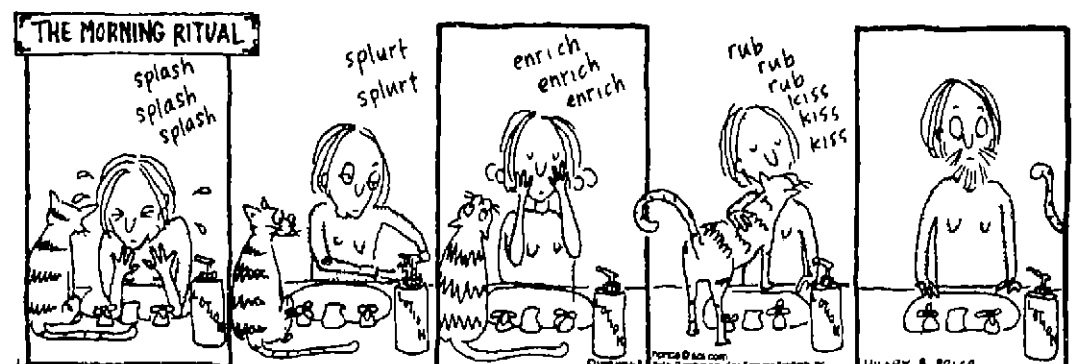
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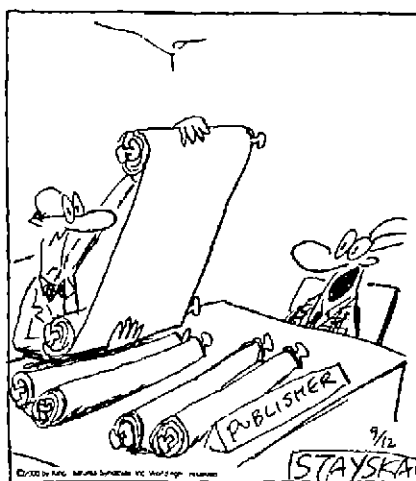
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



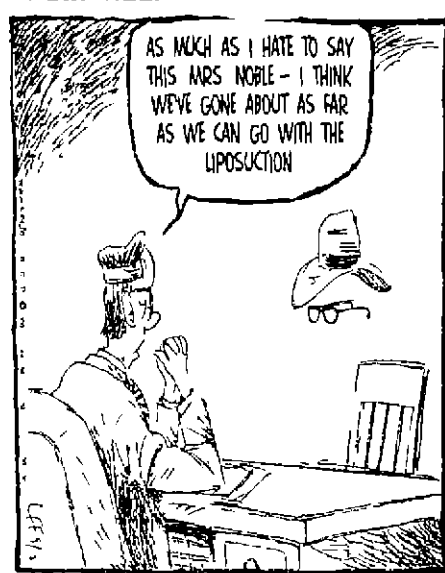
RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actress Irene Dailey is 80 Actor Dickie Moore (Our Gang) is 75 Actor Freddie Jones is 73 Country singer George Jones is 69 Actor Ian Holm is 69 Actress Linda Gray is 60 Singer Maria Muldaur is 57 Singer Barry White is 56 Actor Joe Pantolano is 49 Singer musician Gerry Beckley (America) is 48 Actor Peter Scolari is 46 Actress Rachel Ward is 43

I NEED HELP



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R	R	F	O	G	E	Y		

PAR SCORE 185-195
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points to each word using the point values of the letters. Words get 50 points each. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (The Random House) and Official Scrabble Words (Chamberlain). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 9-12-00

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

TICS

T G E B Y W U R P C N K I G D
B Z X V S Q O C I T N A L T A
A N T I S E P T I C C C C C M
R K I G E C S C C I I I I I A
C Y W U S U I I Q T T T T T P
T I N L R T T T T S N Y L A J
I H T F P S E E C A A L E R A
C Y X E A V H N M T G A C R U
S Q K L N T P O N N I T M E K
J S E H U E R H F A G A E C B
C I T A T S G P Z F Y C X V U

Monday's unused clue: SHOPPING
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Tuesday's unused clue hint: SECOND LARGEST OCEAN

Antiseptic	Celtic	Genetic	Rustic
Arctic	Elastic	Gigantic	Skeptic
Authentic	Era	Phonetic	Static
Catalytic	Fantastic	Romantic	

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HOROSCOPE

For Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2000

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't become so self-absorbed in your own fantasy world that you lose touch with the surrounding environment.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Suddenly, you're everyone's darling.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Get out of this rut you've built for yourself and go exploring.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A sudden dose of freedom that may have been quite daunting at first will suddenly reveal new opportunities.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You like the groundhog are afraid of the sight of your own shadow these days.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Desultory thoughts have you floating and flitting all over the place.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Mind your p's and q's and watch whom you tell what.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A very close friend or confidante will reveal a delicious secret.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) If someone has lifted or stolen your possessions, you can expect their speedy return.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) The Band-Aid solution will see you through — this time.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Don't bargain shop for something important or fancy.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) So many opportunities might come your way all at once that you'll have difficulty deciding which is the best offer.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

The International Olympic Committee has formally recognized tournament bridge as an official Olympic sport. Today's deal from the 1980 Bridge Olympiad serves as an excellent example. Reporters described it as one of the great deals in championship history, producing an unpredictable result that gave the world title to France over the United States. When first played, the U.S. North-South doubled six spades by West for a par result of down one. In the replay, the bidding was full of fireworks. At the critical point, Paul Chémia of France (North) feared doubling six spades. At best, he could collect a small penalty at worst, an unbearable tragedy. So, with hundreds of excited, prejudiced spectators watching the televised proceedings, Chémia bid seven diamonds. Now a quiet hush filled the room. Which ace would West lead? The spade ace would defeat the slam, the heart ace would not. After a virtual eternity, West led the heart ace! The partisan crowd of French supporters drowned the room in wild cheers and the title went to France. The U.S. supporters had to swallow defeat, dreaming of what might have been.

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

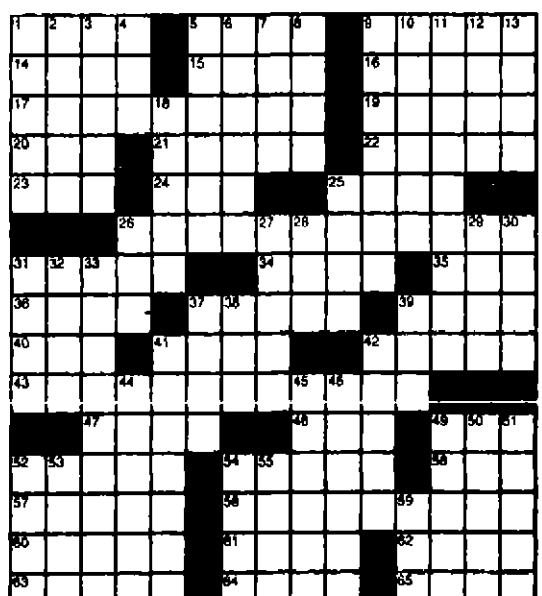
No. 0801

ACROSS

- "Macbeth" quintet
- Distort
- Place for a mirrored ball
- Smith Brothers unit
- Actress Spelling
- Poland Spring compeller
- Object of a classic pursuit
- 43-Across division
- Rice University mascot
- The life of —
- Lee of
- S & L offerings
- Lupino of "High Sierra"
- Elvis or Fabian, once
- Childbirth
- Kind of wool or drum
- Some drafts
- Rocky pinnacle
- Didn't give way
- Eric Clapton classic
- Jim-dandy
- Before to Burns
- Haughty pose
- Tack on
- Heilish literary work
- Aardvark's meal
- Brian of Roxy
- Music
- Shriver of tennis
- Photo finish
- Family name at Indy
- In need of salting perhaps
- Little green man
- You can't touch this
- Embellish
- Deer sir
- Gumbo ingredient
- Heavenly gift
- poly
- Part of MOMA's address
- Kind of committee
- Jam-pack
- Trucker's expense
- Le Carré character
- Big step
- Eucalyptus-eating animals
- Iroquoian Indian
- Cunning
- The Roaming 20's and others
- Chekhov's first play
- Playing card without a match
- Blanchett of "Elizabeth"
- close to schedule
- Give the third degree
- Brainstorm
- Fourposter e.g.
- Final authority
- Wright wing?
- Poor dog's portion
- "Jurassic Park" beast for short
- Get rid of
- Hatcher of "Lois & Clark"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SHADE GELY PAPA
KAPUT AMIE JAPON
INONE RAMS NEWT
PAPERCLIPS KNEE
SNAIL TSARS
WOK AMC BREL
EDIBLE FLEXIBLE
BOLA LIBYA PIER
BROCCOLI LOSTIT
KATE STD SSE
THEFT ANODE
ROLL RADARCLIPS
ANTI SLOP ALCOA
GOOP VERA LIONS
ERNS PENT LENDS



Puzzle by Randall J. Hartman

- One mile, for Denver
- Golf positions
- Compass creation
- Govern Sunday
- One of a bug's pair
- Be nuts over
- Trained or detainee
- Peyote
- Hatcher of "Lois & Clark"
- Hard to please
- Squirreled-away item
- Sinatra classic
- Hat tipper's word
- Betsy's "Wedding" star
- The Beatles' "Back in the U.S.S."
- Cold war winner
- Mafia figure

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